# Subject: Asking the NTP to Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates (fwd)

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:31 PM

**From:** meemers81@comcast.net

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

dr masten & dr olden...

i am writing on behalf of PETA bc animals are not ours to experiment on. they are living creatures with thoughts, feelings and emotions. please stop the animals tests recommended in june by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation & Coordination. thank you for your time and PLEASE STOP ANIMAL TESTING!!!! sincerely, mimi walker =)

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To: <meemers81@comcast.net>

Subject: Ask the NTP to Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn

**Primates** 

Date: Fri, 1 Oct 2004 17:29:56 +0000

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Thank you for helping animals,

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People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals
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Subject: <no subject>

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:24 PM **From:** amanda gopman <ag285803@ohio.edu>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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I am writing to ask you to please put an end to these cruel tests planned in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. They are senseless, worthless, horrific tests that will do nothing but cause pain and suffering to innocent animals. Please help speak for those who cannot speak for themselves. Thank you for your time.

-Amanda-

**Subject: animals** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:21 PM

From: joeswierkosz@juno.com <joeswierkosz@juno.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

#### masten

its hard to believe someone in your position is crazy emough to believe that a test on a small animal is valid toward man. the data is already available and the torture of animals is obviously cruel and needless. god is watching..... may he treat you as you do animals.

joe swierkosz

**Subject: National Toxicology Program** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 10:42 PM

From: Erin <eatkin@quik.com>
To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Erin Atkin eatkin@quik.com

October 6, 2004

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
P.O. Box 12233, MD B2-01
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Dear Dr. Masten,

I am writing you this letter in regards to the poisoning tests that are continuing to be done on newborn primates. I am a zoologist and love animals. I believe that that animals deserve to have a life that is free from intentional pain and suffering at the hands of humans. Primates, I especially believe, are complex beings with the ability to experience terror, torture, emotional attachments to each other, lonliness, embarassment, and just about every other human related emotion.

This is why I ask if the animal tests that were recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for chemical evaluation and coordination are really necessary, and if so, for what reason? Is there not already extensive literature on these chemicals and their poisoning effects? Is there no question of ethics in regards to the treatment of these primates? Are there not cruelty-free and other alternatives to animals if testing is actually necessary? As far as I know, there are many alternatives available that are cheaper and require less upkeep.

Chemical poisoning testing on animals is primitive and unnecessary. Have you personally witnessed what is done to these animals? If not, I hope that you at least educated yourself about my concerns for the primates. I have seen infant primates in testing facilities before, and seeing the terror in their eyes while a pair of siblings huddle in corner of a metal cage made me instantly break down in tears but feel hopeless that there was nothing I could do to save them. You, however, do have the power to stop this torture. There are at least one hundred rescue facilities that would adopt

the animals, so what to do with them when the testing was stopped does not need to be an issue. Please have compassion and stop the testing. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Erin Atkin

**Subject: Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 8:37 PM

From: Ella1015730@cs.com
To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>
Cc: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers, I demand that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

For the Animals,

Claire Sefiane

Subject: please stop testing on animals.

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 8:32 PM

From: Sarah Pennucci <chaitea06@hotmail.com>

**To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov> **Cc:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Animal testing is cruel, and i think that you should stop. It also does not effectively test things because animals have a different reaction to products than humans do.

-Sarah Pennucci

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**Subject: Humane Practices** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 7:57 PM

From: Brittany Knight-Tavares <knightbrit@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Mr. Masten,

The following is the most recent information I have heard about the procedures your organization is planning to employ:

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I certainly hope your organization is not planning on using methods that will harm, hurt, injure, mutilate or kill live animals. I think that in this century, in this society, it is important for us to develop practices that make us leaders in the world. I think an outstanding society is one that respects and protects all members of its environment, especially those unable to defend themselves. What right do we have to own and control other creatures that have been born onto this earth for their own purpose? Animals are not ours to manipulate and control. It's our job to use our "higher" intelligence to take care of them.

I don't know if you have pets, but imagine this cruelty happening to them. It's torture, it's inhumane and it's unecessary with the type of advancements we have today.

Thank you for taking the time to listen to my voice. I hope your organization makes the most compassionate decision.

Brittany Knight-Tavares

concerned citizen of the earth

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--Yogi Tea

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Subject: <no subject>

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 6:59 PM

**From:** Sage <sage@idausa.org> **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Hello, I have recently learned that NTP is recommending doing animal tests for certain toxic chemicals. Please, I urge you do end this cruelty. These tests are unnecessary and should be stopped immediately. Animals need to be respected and shouldn't be used, especially when it's not completely necessary. I'm begging you to do all you can to prevent the torture and death of these wonderful animals. Thanks.

--Sage

**Subject: STOP ANIMAL TESTING ASAP** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 6:47 PM

From: KReehill@aol.com

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Scott Masten:

How can you call yourself a doctor? Correct me if I am wrong, but before people become doctors they must pledge the Hippocratic Oath. I also believe this oath says that as a doctor, you should promote the welfare of beings, do no wrong, and always look for the good. Last time I checked, killing and making animals suffer was a wrong. How could a so called "doctor" do such a thing?

Stating the oath: "I will prescribe regimen for the good of my patients according to my ability and my judgment and never do harm...." "To please no one will I prescribe a deadly drug nor give advice which may cause his death."

As a "doctor" you are completely going against the principle concept of Hypocrites' ideas!

By the way, don't get smart with me. You'd be surprised, I am a very intelligent woman. Don't reply back saying that well animals aren't people and that is what the oath is talking about. That the oath says he and she which refer to male or female human beings. Go check your dictionary. Not only do he/she refer to a male/female human, but it also refers to an animal!!

Every animal has feelings just as we do. Do you have any pets "Dr." Masten? Did you have any as a child growing up, having them as a best friend to always come home to? Every time you poison an animal, I want you to think of poisoning that good pal of yours at home. Even better, think of a loved one. What does your family think of you? Is your mother proud of her son? Is your wife/significant other proud? If you don't have a family, maybe this is why. When you meet people and they ask what you do for a profession, do you tell them, "Oh, I poison animals and watch them suffer. I then record it! I love my work." If not, why don't you do that next time. Watch their reaction. Do you have any children. I know that while I was growing up, other children were asking me constantly what your parents jobs were. Do they respond like that? Do they even know? Or how about Job day? You know, when a parent comes into school and talks about their job to a st grade class. What do you tell the class and the teacher? Or do you just tell your son/daughter that you can't make it?

I believe it was in Cosmo Girl magazine, or Elle girl, or Seventeen, or Teen People (yes I'm still in highschool) you catch the drift, Animal Rights was voted NUMBER ONE for the best cause to stick up for. Why don't you begin now with stopping this horrible act?

Thank you, Kaitie Reehill 6 Broadmoor Drive Egg Harbor Twp., NJ 08234 KReehill@aol.com

Subject: help

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 6:18 PM

From: generg@ hotmail.com < generg@hotmail.com>

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and I demand that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thanks, D. Muraco

**Subject: National Toxicology Program** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 6:00 PM

From: Gina Talbot <lady\_ymanja@sbcglobal.net>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sirs,

I am writing to urge you to stop the animal tests that are conducted by the National Toxicology Program. Animals are not test tubes with whiskers. Please, place yourselves in the animals positions, they feel pain the same way that you and I do. The fact that their brains did not develop the way that human brains developed does not make them immune to pain and suffering. Animal testing is cruel and outdated. It is time that we show our humanity and compassion for all living beings, human and otherwise.

Thank you for your time, Gina Talbot

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 6:00 PM

**From:** ericabenson@comcast.net **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

I am writing to ask that you please stop poisoning tests on newborn primates and other animals. I feel these are crude and outdated tests of toxicity.

Worse, you have wrongly encouraged people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

Some testing I find particularly offensive:

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I would like to politely remind you and the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and demand that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination as cruel and unnecessary. These are sentient creatures, for God's sake!

Erica Benson 226 Palm Drive Piedmont, CA 94610

**Subject: URGENT:** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 5:38 PM

**From:** Simons635@netscape.net **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Toxicology Program
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
P.O. Box 12233, MD A3-07
Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Dear Dr. Scott Masten,

If we have the ability to help any animal in need, then we are morally obligated to do so.

You would not aprove these tests to be done on your family pet, now would you?

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Your Compassion, is the ONLY HOPE these animals have.

Respectfully~ Dawn, Mark, and Corey Simons

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Subject: citizens' concern

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 5:26 PM

From: Palisi734@aol.com

To: "Olden, Ken (NIH/NIEHS)" <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: "Masten, Scott (NIH/NIEHS)" <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Sincerely,

Mary Palisi Jeffery Jones 76 Woods Road Florence, MA 01062

From: NoMeatForMary@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, October 5, 2004 6:14 PM

Palisi734@aol.com; Veggie1968@aol.com; Amber9981@aol.com; CHurtel@aol.com; To: reedmangels@comcast.net; megan@safepass.org; Muscatineborn@aol.com; mommarini@cox.net

Subject: Fwd: [MARC list] DUE 10/19: NPT--Stop Poisoning Newborn Primates!

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MARC\_list/

From: Helen and Steve Rayshick

Reply To: MARC list@yahoogroups.com Sent: Monday, October 4, 2004 9:30 AM

To: MARC list@yahoogroups.com

Subject: [MARC list] DUE 10/19: NPT--Stop Poisoning Newborn Primates!

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**Subject: Please stop the poisoning of newborn primates** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 5:22 PM **From:** Querze, Susan <Susan.Querze@ssa.gov>

To: "'olden@niehs.nih.gov'" <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, "'masten@niehs.nih.gov'" <

masten@niehs.nih.gov>

To Doctors Olden and Masten;

You have the power to stop the poisoning tests on newborn primates and I ask that you do. I am a tax payer and I find redundant testing of live animals a waste of time and money not to mention the cruelty involved. We know what poison does; we don't need to continue this type of testing.

I really wish that animal testing would stop, it seems to me that with all the knowledge, technology and scientists we have that we would not need to torture, maimed and kill a living being. It boggles the mind that your profession is still using these outdated tests when there are other alternative which are cruelty free.

Maybe you've all just crossed a line and it doesn't bother you to poison a living being and watch it die. But that is so gruesome to someone such as myself that I would evan call it evil. It sad that you can do this on a daily basis. I'm glad I'm not insensitive and can still feel for a life that is being poisoned.

Please stop this type of testing! It is the right thing to do.

Sincerely

Sue Querze

Subject: Please DON'T TEST on Animals! This is cruel and sick!

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 5:20 PM

From: Love4Earthlings@aol.com

**To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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  responses and birth defects in animals.

Subject: <no subject>

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 5:08 PM **From:** Silkie Carlo <silkiecarlo@hotmail.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sir,

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Animals are not test tubes with whiskers! Pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination!

There is a huge and growing animal rights movement. These pointless tests on animals will make you very unpopular. Please think ethically.

Yours,

# S.Carlo

silkiecarlo@hotmail.com

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**Subject: please stop tests** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 5:05 PM

From: Lana @lholmesassociates.com <lana@lholmesassociates.com>

**To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I urge you to put a stop to the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Altho I am from Canada cruelty knows no borders.

Thank you Lana Holmes Montreal, Canada

**Subject: stop the brutality** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 4:56 PM

**From:** Querencia@aol.com **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I respectfully request that you stop experiments on new born primates.

There are other scientific methods available for determining the safety of products.

This brutal use of young animals that are such close cousins of humans demeans us as human beings and does nothing to advance this "science."

Thank you.

Joy Gault 1914 First Street, 2nd Floor Highland Park, IL 60035

**Subject: NTP tests** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 4:33 PM

From: Jessica McDorman <mrs\_floogo@yahoo.com>
To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

To Kenneth Olden, Director
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I am absolutely disgusted after learning of the cruel and primitive experiments you are conducting on animals. Your tests, poisoning animals with chemicals you know are harmful to living creatures, are abhorrent. I cannot understand how anyone so educated could knowlingly torture living creatures (human or non-human). Not only do you spend millions of taxpayer dollars to abuse animals in crude tests of chemical toxicity, you actually encourage others to nominate chemicals they would like to see tested on animals. It is well-known that substances such as turpentine, antifreeze and perfluorinated compounds are extremely dangerous, yet you continue to experiment with them. It saddens and angers me that you would conduct these tests, but also that you would perpetuate such cruelty by asking others to join in on your horrendous practices. The animals you torture in your labs are sentient beings with no less a capacity for pain than you or I. Because of this ability to feel pain and pleasure, they have just as much right as you and I to be protected from harm. You are abusing animals, wasting time and money, and encouraging citizens to practice cruelty to animals as well. On behalf of all animal lovers, concerned citizens, and people who practice real science, I demand that you end all tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Finally, I will leave you with something that you hopefully will at least consider:

In order for a scientist to test on an animal, he or she must provide sufficient evidence that human and non-human creatures are so alike that findings will produce results applicable to people. In order for him/her to justify these experiments to themselves and the world, they must somehow proove that human and non-human creatures are so very different. This is a fallacy of logic-one cannot have both.

Please end these cruel experiments. No good can come of them.

I thank you for your time and look forward to hearing back from you on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Jessica McDorman

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**Subject: Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 4:23 PM

From: Robert Rutkowski <rutkowski@terraworld.net>

Reply-To: "Robert Rutkowski" <rutkowski@terraworld.net>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: Nancy Pelosi <sf.nancy@mail.house.gov>, "George W. Bush" <

president@whitehouse.gov>

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#### Dear Gentlemen:

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What,s worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grape seed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

True to form, the NTP,s latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

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A "private individual‰ recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract‰ undergo "subchronic‰ toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

I remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and that NTP pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you for the opportunity to bring these remarks to your attention.

Mindful of the enormous responsibilities which stand before you, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Robert E. Rutkowski

CC:

Nancy Pelosi

Andrew H. Card, Jr.

2527 Faxon Court Topeka, Kansas 66605-2086

P/F: 1 785 379-9671

r\_e\_rutkowski@myrealbox.com

**Subject: (no subject)** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 4:01 PM

**From:** Markfiore6@aol.com **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sir

Can you not perform the upcoming tests on newborn primates? They are

unnecessary and cruel. Thanks, Mark J. Fiore

**Subject: Animal Testing** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 3:58 PM

From: Henssis1@aol.com
To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please politely remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and demand that it pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination

Please help stop animal testing.

**Subject: Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 3:45 PM

**From:** decamp@charter.net **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

#### Dear Dr. Masten:

I hereby request that the poisoning tests performed on newborn primates as recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination be eliminated. These tests cause incredible amounts of animal suffrage and death. Any help you can provide in eliminating such tests would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your consideration and immediate attention in this very important matter.

Best Regards, Monica C. Edger Subject: poisoning tests on newborn primates

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 3:25 PM **From:** Jonathan Payer <jonpayer@hotmail.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

I Ask that the NTP to Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

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- \* A "private individual" recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract" undergo "subchronic" toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

Your voice can make a difference for animals! Please take a few moments today to politely remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and demand that it pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination:

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Subject: animal testing

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 3:16 PM

From: gail < gail@nverse.org>
To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please no longer do animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Surely there is a better way to test needed items ONLY, and save the lives of thousands and thousands of animals!

# **Sincerely,**Gail Sanders

gail@nverse.org

**Subject: Please Stop** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 2:25 PM **From:** Marcia Cope <marciacope@yahoo.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Stop animal tests recommended in June by the Interaency for Chemical Evaluation and Cooperation.

These horrendous experiments cause unbearable suffereing and death to innocent, feeling animals. Updated methods can now be used without using live animals.

Please stop these barbaric and senseless experiments now. Will you be one to stand up for right is right or will you igonore the cries of pain by those who cannot speak for themselves? Marcia Cope

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Subject: animal testing

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 2:00 PM

From: Aeromito@aol.com
To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>
Cc: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

#### To Whom it May Concern:

Upon my recent discovery of the cruel tests that are inflicted on animals by your institution, I was urged to contact you. Animals are not test tubes; they are creatures that experienced pain, suffering, happiness, and almost every other human emotion. These tests are both medically and morally void of any advancement. I strongly urge you to excercise your powers to cease this injustice.

Thank You,

Alexandra E. Romito

Subject: <no subject>

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:57 PM **From:** traci day <traciwday@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop the cruel and unnecessary animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. They are a waste of money and cause only needless suffering.

Please use your voice to stand up against what is immoral and wrong!

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**Subject: National Toxicology Program** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:12 PM **From:** Shadow <shadows\_dsm@ureach.com>

**Reply-To:** <shadows\_dsm@ureach.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sirs,

With regards to the testing of chemicals on animals - please remember that this is a living being that you are promoting the pain, torture and death of. While I understand the arguments for animal testing - the truth is that there are other, safer, non-lethal methods of testing chemicals that will provide more acurate data than the use of living test "subjects" Please consider using the 5 Available Alternatives:

http://www.stopanimaltests.com/feat/gta/index2.html

Thank you for your time,

J. Harmon

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Subject: re:

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:00 PM **From:** Wendy Langdon <langdon@ohiou.edu>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

"As a scientist, I have witnessed at first hand the increasing sufferings of animals here and abroad, so often doubtfully justified as being for the betterment of mankind when frequently the real motive is petty academic ambition."-Richard D. Ryder From 'Animal Rights: A Beginner's Guide'

PLEASE, pull the plug on poison tests on newborn primates! It is brutal and cruel!

Not only are these tests unethical, they cost over millions of taxpayers' dollars-as do all experiments on animals. PLEASE STOP. Have a conscience and a heart!

Respectfully, Wendy S. Langdon Collections Conservator Alden Library Ohio University

**Subject: Please** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:01 PM

From: Gabriella Sahlberg <gabriellasahlberg@yahoo.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please help the animals from being subject to chemicals while they are ALIVE!

Bless you Bella

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**Subject: no more excuses** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 12:56 PM **From:** PAUL MARKSBURY <pmarksbury@msn.com>

**To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov> **Cc:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I was once like you. I would make excuses. I would look for ways to justify what i knew in my heart was wrong, because it was easier than accepting the truth and living the way i knew i should. However, there is no excuse for animal testing. Testing on animals, in addition to being extremely cruel, is usually a complete waste of money because it is so often inaccurate. I'm sure as scientists, you want to be as precise as possible with your research.

Take the higher, harder path. Consider alternative methods that are faster, cheaper and more accurate than using animals. Believe me, after you make the decision to live the way you know you should, everything in your life is that much sweeter. Please visit the following link for more information. Thank you.

http://www.peta.org/about/faq-viv.asp

Paul Marksbury Writer/ The Kansas City Star

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 12:43 PM

**From:** Angela Nichols <Stormborn@rasalvatore.com>

**Reply-To:** stormborn@rasalvatore.com

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Kenneth Olden, Director Dr. Scott Masten National Toxicology Program National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

Dear Sirs:

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers. Pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you,

Rev. Dr. Angela D. Nichols, D.D.

1726 Apollo Rd., #2011

Garland, TX 75044

Email: stormborn@rasalvatore.com

Subject: stop animal testing

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:39 AM

**From:** Andreia Magalhães <a76magalhaes@hotmail.com> **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Science was suppose to be an area of progress. No good progress can come to animal injury.

"I am not interested to know whether vivisection produces results that are profitable to the human race or doesn,t. ... The pain which it inflicts upon unconsenting animals is the basis of my enmity toward it, and it is to me sufficient justification of the enmity without looking further." ^Mark Twain

Andreia Magalhaes Portugal

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**Subject: NTP** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:53 AM

From: d a <dea203@hotmail.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten.

I have recently learned through PETA about your plans to do testing on already known safe supplements. Not only is this horridly cruel but also unnecessary and costly.

Both my dog and myself have been taking grapeseed and pinebark extracts for years on a daily basis and neither of us have experienced any sort of adverse effects. In fact I believe that OPCs have done nothing but helped with her allergies and joint problems. Also, I myself have taken "Bitter Orange Extract" and have had no adverse effects.

I'm sure you are well aware that animals models are not accurate predictions of what will happen to humans or other animals. Please reconsider alternative methods so that they are both cruelty-free as well as more accurate.

Many thanks.

Sincerely, Denise Evans Akhondi

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**Subject: Please Stop** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:41 AM

From: TheSacis@aol.com
To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Masten,

Please stop immediately, this ridiculous testing on animals, how would you like to be force fed and tortured? Have some human decency. Thank you.

Sincerely, Nityananda Prins

Subject: <no subject>

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 11:41 AM **From:** Peter Stevens < lucequus@yahoo.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten
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Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Dear Mr. Masten,

In Belgium we recently received the news that many animals may be subjected to NTP testing that will spell lots of suffering and death to thousands of them.

On behalf of many of my country folks, we ask you kindly to please pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you heartily for your anticipated cooperation in this critical matter.

Sincerely,

Luc Cordon Zeedijk-Heist 248, Bus 71 8301 Knokke-Heist Belgium

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**Subject: (no subject)** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 10:28 AM

From: Hodsky@cs.com

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

There are so many cruel and unnecessary tests conducted on animals that it is staggering. There is adequate information regarding the safety or hazards of many, many chemicals. There is no need to conduct the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Along with thousands of others who wish to voice their concern for the animals, God's creatures, who have no voice but ours, I respectfully request, even demand, that the aforementioned proposed animal tests not be conducted.

Sincerely,

Cindy Lampa California

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 9:50 AM

From: Monica <oh\_moxie@yahoo.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sir,

I am writing you today to ask that you pull the plug on the recommended tests in June. They seem unnecessary and we should not abuse animals just because we

can.

Best regards

Monica Olofsson, Los Angeles

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Subject: Public comment on NTP chemical toxicity testing

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 9:32 AM

From: Helen and Steve Rayshick <rayshick@earthlink.net>

**Reply-To:** rayshick@earthlink.net

**To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please accept this as public comment for the record about the poisoning of animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. I am opposed to the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. I think it is morally wrong to do this and as a citizen I want my opinion counted.

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What,s worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

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It is time to move out of the dark ages of animal cruelty and show compassion for all sentient beings. They too are part of our environment and should be protected.

Sincerely, Steven Rayshick 260 Chapman Road Barre, MA 01005

**Subject: Please stop abusing animals** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 9:23 AM **From:** Phyl Morello <fastphyl1@hotmail.com>

**To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov> **Cc:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop the killings of thousands of animals you use & abuse in your labs.

Please stop these crude & outdated animal toxic testing!

Please realize how these hapless animals suffer at your human hands. Please realzie these tests are ill-conceived & not needed any more. Please stop animal testing & cruelty.

Sincerely

Phyl Morello & family HC 2 Albrightsville PA 18210

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**Subject: Barbarian Act, please stop!** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 9:04 AM

From: CW <cwlam\_333@yahoo.co.uk>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr Masten

I am sorry to learn about your cruel animal testing program. I cannot believe that such a program is run by a national department and is actually taken place in a civilised country like the United States. It was once said by Gandhi that the greatness of a nation and its moral progress are judged by the way its animals are treated. While animals are ill-treated and disrepected in uncivilised places like China, the US should set itself a good example for the rest of the world to follow.

I sincerely plead for your sympathy for the sentient animals and hope that all animal tests will be stopped immediately.

Thank you

CW

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Subject: <no subject>

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 8:53 AM **From:** Jen Sever <jsever@cassidypinkard.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

These tests are outrageous. Do you enjoy seeing the helpless animals suffer when you already have the data you need? Stop these tests immediately.

**Subject: Animal testing** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 8:49 AM **From:** Vidya Garg <vsgarg@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Mr. Masten,

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers, please pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thanks for reading, Sincerely, Vidya Sagar Garg

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**Subject: Stop animal tests** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 8:32 AM

**From:** Sanya Preston <sanyapreston@hotmail.com> **To:** <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sir/Madam

Please do not proceed with the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Most of the chemicals have already been tested for safety, or are natural substances which have been used without ill effect for years.

Yours faithfully

Sanya Preston, UK

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**Subject: Animal Tesitng - Protest** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 6:09 AM **From:** Kent Ford < littlehollywood@rogers.com>

Reply-To: littlehollywood@rogers.com

To: "Olden, Ken (NIH/NIEHS)" <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: "Masten, Scott (NIH/NIEHS)" < masten@niehs.nih.gov>

**Priority:** Highest

#### Dear Mr Olden:

I am shocked to recently learn of the NTP plans to continue cruel and needless animal testing of various toxic chemicals and medical substances.

Where is the conscience of the NTP when they must fully realize that the data obtained from such testing is in most cases already known. Why also is it conceivable to continue such testing when there was an initiative in June to discontinue such tests by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

A response and explanation of this decision would be appreciated.

Yours truly, Kent W. Ford 73 Douglas Cres Toronto, Ontario M4W 2X6 Tel 416 920 0950

littlehollywood@rogers.com

Subject: STOP ANIMAL TESTING NOW!!!!!!

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 3:58 AM

From: Joely Collins <gijoely@telus.net>

**Reply-To:** <gijoely@telus.net> **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

## To the Animals: May we be Forgiven

### **Animal Prayer by Albert Schweitzer**

"For animals that are overworked, underfed, and cruelly treated; for all wistful creatures in captivity that beat their wings against bars; for any that are hunted or lost or deserted or frightened or hungry; for all that must be put to death...and for those who deal with them we ask a heart of compassion and gentle hands and kindly words."

"If you think you're too small to be effective, you have never been in bed with a mosquito."

--Bette Reese

"Merely by ceasing to eat meat, merely by practicing restraint, we have the power to end a painful industry. We do not have to bear arms to end this evil, we do not have to contribute money, we do not have to sit in jail or go to meetings or demonstrations or engage in acts of civil disobedience. Most often, the act of repairing the world, of healing moral wounds, is left to heroes and tzaddikim, saints and people of unusual discipline. But here is an action every mortal can perform—surely it is not too difficult." --Roberta Kalechofsky

"And behold, I have given you every herb-bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree-yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat." --Genesis 1:29

"Now what is it that moves our very hearts and sickens us so much at cruelty shown to poor brutes?...They have done us no harm and they have no power of resistance; it is the cowardice and tyranny of which they are the victims which make their sufferings so especially touching. Cruelty to animals is as if man did not love God.... There is something so very dreadful, so Satanic, in tormenting those who have never harmed us, who cannot defend themselves, who are utterly in our power." --Cardinal John Henry Newman

"Nothing will benefit human health and increase the chances for survival of life on earth as much as the evolution to a vegetarian diet." --Albert Einstein

"I have from an early age abjured the use of meat, and the time will come when men such as I will look on the murder of animals as they now look on the murder of men." --Leonardo da Vinci

"The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be judged by the way its animals are treated. Vivisection is the blackest of all the black crimes that man is at present committing against God and His fair creation. It ill becomes us to invoke in our daily prayers the blessings of God, the Compassionate, if we in turn will not practice elementary compassion towards our fellow creatures." --Mahatma Gandhi

"I abhor vivisection. It should at least be curbed. Better, it should be abolished. I know of no achievement through vivisection, no scientific discovery, that could not have been obtained without such barbarism and cruelty. The whole thing is evil." --Dr. Charles Mayo, founder of the Mayo Clinic

"I abhor vivisection with my whole soul. All the scientific discoveries stained with the innocent blood I count as of no consequence" -- Mahatma Ghandi

"To my mind the life of a lamb is no less precious than that of a human being. ... I hold that, the more helpless a creature, the more entitled it is to the protection by man from the cruelty of man."

--Mahatma Ghandi

Link to Chief Seattle's <a href="http://www.shoestringtravels.com/animals/seattle.htm">http://www.shoestringtravels.com/animals/seattle.htm</a> moving address on the white man's acquisition of territory and treatment of creatures.

"Whenever animals are impressed into the service of man, every one of us should be mindful of the toil we are exacting. We cannot stand idly by and see animals subjected to unnecessary harshness or deliberate mistreatment. We cannot say it is not our business to interfere. On the contrary, it is our duty to intervene in the animal's behalf." --Albert Schweitzer, *The Teaching of Reverence for Life* 

"A man who possesses a veneration of life will not simply say his prayers. He will throw himself into the battle to preserve life, if for no other reason than that he is himself an extension of life around him." --Albert Schweitzer

"The animals of the world exist for their own reasons. They were not made for humans any more than black people were made for white, or woman created for man." --Alice Walker

"To the truly ethical man, all of life is sacred, including forms of life that, from the human point of view, may seem lower than ours." --Albert Schweitzer

"I care not for a man's religion whose dog and cat are not the better for it." -- Abraham Lincoln

"It is necessary and urgent that, following the example of the poor man (St. Francis of Assisi), one decides to abandon inconsiderate forms of domination, capture and custody with respect to all creatures." Pope John Paul II -- Lyman, Eric, "Pope Expresses Opposition to GMOs, Cites Need For 'Respect for Nature,'" Vatican City, November 15, 2000; Center for Food Safety

"The earth was made by God and it belongs to God—the churches should reiterate that man is not the real owner of anything, that he is here only as a steward and that he will be judged by the way he treats what has been loaned him." --Right Rev. Robert Hatch

"It is just like man's vanity and impertinence to call an animal dumb because it is dumb to his dull perceptions.

Heaven is by favor; if it were by merit your dog would go in and you would stay out. Of all the creatures ever made ... [man] is the only one ... that possesses malice. He is the only creature that inflicts pain for sport, knowing it to be pain. The fact that man knows right from wrong proves his intellectual superiority to the other creatures; but the fact that he can do wrong proves his moral inferiority to any creature that cannot." -
Mark Twain

"But the most sinister thing about modern vivisection is this. If a mere sentiment justifies cruelty, why stop at a sentiment for the whole human race? ... Once the old Christian idea of total difference in kind between man and beast has been abandoned, then no argument for experiments on animals can be found which is not also an argument for experiments on inferior men. If we cut up beasts simply because they cannot prevent us and because we are backing our own side in the struggle for existence, it is only logical to cut up imbeciles, criminals, enemies, or capitalists for the same reasons.

-- C.S. Lewis in Vivisection, 1947

"Justice too long delayed is justice denied." -- Martin Luther King, Jr., The Birmingham Letter

"It has recently been discovered that research causes cancer in rats." -- Unknown

JOELY COLLINS

**Subject: NTP ANIMAL TESTING** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:30 AM

From: carla < carla@calis.com>
To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten:

Please do **NOT ALLOW** the animal tests, i.e., the **Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates**, recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Much research has already been done in the area of human and animal toxicity regarding "perfluorinated compounds", substances such as turpentine, antifreeze and many many other chemicals. The data is available. The EPA is well aware of this fact and so should the Food & Drug Administration. Any member of the public can easily find out information about a particular chemical by calling the Poinson Control Center or EPA, etc. There is **NO NEED TO TEST ON ANIMALS ever!** 

I implore you to **STOP TESTING ON ANIMALS**. It is cruel, unnecessary and highly unethical to abuse any life form. It is also immoral to sacrifice one species for another. **Animals are NOT test tubes with whiskers**. They are living, feeling creatures who feel pain just as much, if not more so, than their animal counterparts--humans. Humans are not the only important life form on this earth. All life forms are important for the survival of us all.

As Ghandi once said, "You can judge a society by the way it treats its animals"--doesn't say much for our society!

Regards, Carla Cicchi POB 907 Placerville, CA 95667

**Subject: Animal Testing** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:16 AM

From: shikha varma <shikha1varma@hotmail.com>
To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I would kindly like to remind the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers. I ask that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Animal testing is cruel and inhumane and it needs to be put to an end.

Sincerely, Shikha Varma

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**Subject: Please Stop the Killing** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 1:06 AM

**From:** SCconvctr@aol.com **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

#### Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. What's worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

True to form, the NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

- The Food and Drug Administration nominated Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (a chemical used in plastic IV bags) for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn male rats and nonhuman primates.
- The Environmental Protection Agency nominated "perfluorinated compounds" for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.
- A "private individual" recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract" undergo "subchronic" toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

Animals are not test tubes with whiskers; pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination!

**Subject: Please stop the animal abuse....** 

**Date:** Wednesday, October 6, 2004 12:33 AM **From:** dan scott <danscott97211@hotmail.com>

**To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

Please do all you can to stop the projected chemical testing on animals in June. These tests have been proven to be unwarranted and very abusive to thousands of "voiceless" animals! I truly do not understand how a doctor, a healer, could stand by and allow these needless tests to cause so much pain, suffering and death to so many innocent animals. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely,

Dan Scott, Educator, Ptld, OR

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**Subject: Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates** 

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 12:32 AM

**From:** Dscokwn@aol.com **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I am writing to urge you to pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the National Toxicology Program (NTP) Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

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Thank you,

Lisa

Subject: re: recommendation by NTP

Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2004 12:26 AM

**From:** BruceLeeRG@aol.com **To:** <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Scott Masten,

I am writing to encourage you to discontinue animal testing for chemical evaluation. There are other methods to test the toxicity of a chemical. I find it appauling that animals are still being tortured for these purposes. PLEASE have some compassion and pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you for your time, Rochelle Guardado

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Record 10/6/04

Dear Dr. Masten:

As an animal lover, I am distressed at the testing that you do on various types of animals. Please remember that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, but God-created creatures that He placed here for our pleasure and under our dominion – not for our cruelty.

I hereby demand that the NTP pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you for your consideration to all animal lovers and the animals!

Sincerely yours,

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Lawrenceville, GA 30044

Judy P. Lather

400 N. Broad St. Phila., Pa. 19130 Oct. 4, 2004

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Recul 10/6/09

Dear Dr. Masten:

I am writing to ask you to discontinue animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

I do not believe that animals were created for the unlimited "use" of humans, most especially in scientific experiments that are painful and the results from which can be achieved through other means.

Thanks for your kind attention.

Stuart D. Bykoffky

October 4, 2004

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Record 10/6/04

Dear Dr. Masten:

I am writing to urgently ask that all animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination be canceled.

Each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity.

The NTP also actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to a list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

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As you must be aware, every species of animal is a different biomechanical and biochemical entity. Non-human animals are different not only from humans, but from each other anatomically, physiologically, immunologically, genetically, and histologically. Animals react differently to different chemicals and drugs, not only from humans, but also from each other. Drugs that may test safe for one animal may cause serious health problems in humans.

I urge you stop all animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you for your consideration and help in this urgent matter.

Respectfully,

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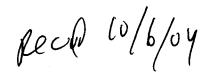
#### WHY ANIMAL RESEARCH CANNOT WORK

- ♦ Every species of animal is a different biomechanical and biochemical entity. Non-human animals are different not only from humans, but also from each other anatomically, physiologically, immunologically, genetically, and histologically (down to the basic cellular structure). The dog is different from the cat and the cat is different from the rat. The rat is also different from the mouse. And they are all different from human beings.
- ♦ Animals react differently to different chemicals (including drugs), not only from humans. but also from each other. Aspirin kills cats and penicillin kills guinea pigs. Yet the same guinea pigs can safely eat strychnine one of the deadliest poisons for humans, but not for monkeys. Sheep can swallow enormous quantities of arsenic once the murderers' favorite poison. Consequently, the FDA is forced to pull off the shelves all sorts of drugs (which had been found "safe" based on animal tests) because of the serious health problems they cause in human beings.
- Human diseases cannot be recreated in animals - or in human beings for that matter - simply because, once a disease is "recreated," it is artificial and is no longer the original, spontaneous disease that the body itself produced. For example, if you don't have epilepsy, no one can give it to you, and much less to a non-human animal. It may be possible to recreate some of the symptoms of a disease, such as seizures in the case of epilepsy, but never the actual disease itself. The exception to this is the case of infectious diseases. However, animals do not get human infectious diseases. In spite of massive efforts aimed at creating "an animal model of human AIDS," researchers have never been able to infect a single non-human animal with human AIDS. Besides, a non-human animal cannot have a human disease because it is not human. Among other reasons, there are huge differences between the immune system of humans and

- that of other animals (rats live in sewers, dogs drink water from filthy puddles, and cats lick dirt off their bodies without getting sick!).
- ♦ Animal experimenters try to justify the use of animals by claiming that animals are "similar" enough to human beings to warrant experimenting on them. The fact is that in the world of true science, the word "similar" is totally meaningless. If you were told that in the room next door there is no oxygen, but rather, a gas "very similar" to oxygen, would you go in? If you needed a blood transfusion, but were told that there is no human blood available but only a substance "very similar" to human blood (such as chimpanzee blood) would you go for it? If I told you that my lotto numbers are "very similar" to the winning numbers, would you congratulate me?
- ♦ Consequently, our economic survival is also at stake. In 1998 alone, the U.S. spent two trillion dollars (\$2,000,000,000,000) on what is euphemistically called "health care." It is conservatively estimated that by the year 2030, the annual "health care" costs in the U.S. will have reached 16 trillion dollars! The fact is that, after more than 100 years of massive animal-based research at a cost of countless billions of tax dollars, crippling and deadly diseases of all kinds are affecting an ever-increasing number of Americans. Far from curing anything, we are losing ground in the fight against cancer, cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, AIDS, muscular dystrophy, Alzheimer's disease, birth defects, etc.
- ♦ Increasing numbers of scientists agree that the only way to deal with our mounting health problems is to abolish the medieval ritual of experimental research on animals and engage in real medicine: a medicine based on prevention, clinical research (the observation and treatment of human beings suffering from human diseases) and, above all, logic and common sense.

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**RE: NTP TESTING RECOMMENDATIONS** 

Dr. Masten:

You're a scientist which means you have an education and probably have the ability to think logically. If this is the case, then you know that the NTP testing recommendations are unnecessary as the results are already known.

How, then, can you justify torture of thousands of animals? Yes! Turpentine and antifreeze are known hazards to humans, animals and the environment. What more can you possibly want to know? **Toxicity data is already available**.

There are many more important issues to address without wasting animal lives and imposing heinous agony and suffering on animals for such trivial nonsense.

What some will do to justify a paycheck.

Disgusting.

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October 1, 2004

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Decret 10/6/04

Dear Dr. Masten,

I have four doctors in my family, and am well aware of the push for research and scientific testing.

However the use of animals in your tests, especially when information is already available, is needlessly cruel. And the inability to generalize the results from animals to humans, makes most tests useless.

Please use other methods of testing toxicity that are kinder and safer.

Sincerely,

Joseph Wehry

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October 1, 2004

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Dear Dr. Masten:

Animals are not test tubes. They are beings that have value on this planet. They should not be subjected to inevitable torture and suffering caused by this poison testing. I also can't even imagine or understand the incredible heartless cruelty of those who inflict this kind of testing on them.

Please stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you.

Sincerely

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Elizabeth de Carvalho